

Interstate 94

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Red Cedar Bridge project

Project description

The eastbound Interstate 94 bridge over the Red Cedar River will have a new deck installed during spring 2004. The bridge was built in 1959 as part of the original I-94 construction project. This work will extend the life of the bridge.

Also included in this \$3.5 million project are the replacement of the I-94 bridge over Willson Creek, located just west of Menomonie, and new pavement on the I-94 bridges crossing US 12 and Airport Road.

Much of the original eastbound I-94 pavement will be replaced.

"Replacing the pavement and improving the bridges will increase motorist safety and will extend the service life of the interstate system," said Don Gutkowski, director of the Wisconsin Department of Transportation's Eau Claire District.

Traffic impact

Traffic will be bi-directional on the westbound I-94 lanes during construction. Motorists using this area should anticipate delays, allow extra time to get through the work zone, and consider using alternate routes if possible.

Delays and backups of five or more miles may be expected on Friday and Sunday evenings. Backups will be especially pronounced on holiday weekends. Multiple message boards are placed on I-94 to give updated information about traffic delays.

US 12 is designated as an alternate route for I-94. Motorists can access US 12 at exit 32 west of the work zone and exit 52 east of the work zone. Other east-west routes in the area include WIS 29, WIS 64 and US 10.

The rest areas along the work zone will be closed during construction.

Motorists can get more information about potential delays due to road construction on the Web at:
www.dot.wisconsin.gov/travel/road/workzones.htm.

Information is also available by phone by calling 1-800-ROADWIS (762-3947).

Project facts:

Cost: \$3.5 Million
Work began: March 2004
Work ends: June 2004
Project miles: 3
Date built: 1959
Daily traffic: 35,000 vehicles

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